

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 19 of the specification with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Reference is now made to Figure 1, presenting a schematic and generalized presentation of the aforementioned novel airway maintaining cervical collar 50.--

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 26 of the specification with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Figure 1 schematically presents major components of the present invention by function rather than by form; it depicts the function of major components in relation to the head of a patient, rather than their preferred shape and exact location in relation to the head; the head is depicted as composed of two units: the jaw 110, and the rest of the head 100; the component of the present invention whose function is to attach to the jaw is depicted as block 210; the component of the present invention whose function is to aid in moving block 210 and thus jaw 110 is depicted as block 290; the components of the present invention whose function is to control and direct the (-forward) movement of blocks 210 and 290 are depicted as the lock member block 250 in figure 1 and the restriction member block 260 in figure 1; block 240 describes the attachment of block 250 and block 260 to rigid block 230; the function of the other blocks 220, 230, 240, 270 and 280 is to attach to the head (blocks 270 and 280) e.g., by a means of a strip, compose a rigid structure (block 230), and control the motion of the head in relation to the rest of the body of the patient (block 220);--

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 25 of the specification with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Figure 9 schematically presents an element of a preferred embodiment providing the function of limiting the location of other moving elements; it is denoted as the restriction member block 260 in the figure;--

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 21 of the specification with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Figure 1 schematically presents major components of the present invention by function rather than by form. It depicts the function of major components in relation to the head of a patient, rather than their preferred shape and exact location in relation to the head. The head is depicted as composed of two units: the jaw 110, and the rest of the head 100. The present invention provides the benefit of allowing jaw 110 to move in relation to head 100. This movement is preferably in a forward and slightly downwards direction. By allowing this motion the present invention allows an open airway to be maintained through the open mouth and to the lungs. The component of the present invention whose function is to attach to the jaw is schematically depicted as block 210. Details of how this function is provided are disclosed, inter alia, in reference to Figure 7. The component of the present invention whose function is to aid in moving block 210 and thus cause the movement of jaw 110 is schematically depicted as block 290. Details of how this function is provided are disclosed, inter alia, in reference to Figure 7 and Figure 8A. The components of the present invention whose function is to control and direct the movement of blocks 210 and 290 are schematically depicted as the lock member block 250 in figure 1 and the restriction member

block 260 in figure 1. Block 250 directs the movement relative to head 100 and also prevents motion when it is not desired, usually when the jaw is already positioned in the desired position relative to the head, usually when it is open and allowing the passage of air. Details of how this function is provided are disclosed, inter alia, in reference to Figure 8A, Figure 8B, and Figure 8C. Block 260 prevents block 210 from wandering too far from the rest of the parts of the present invention, as may happen at times when block 210 is not attached the jaw. It is acknowledged in this respect that optional block 260 may be constructed as a rubber strip, adapted to be attached at the right and/or left side of the collar, and is especially adapted to support block 210. Details of how this function is provided are disclosed, inter alia, in reference to Figure 9. Block 240 performs the function of attaching block 250 and block 260 to rigid block 230. Details of how this function is provided are disclosed, inter alia, in reference to Figure 5. Blocks 270 and 280 perform the function of attachment to the head 100. Two blocks are schematically depicted to show that the attachment can be made at one or more locations.--

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at page 14, line 23 of the specification with the following rewritten paragraph:

--These elements perform the function described in reference to the lock member represented as block 250 in Figure 1.--

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at page 15, line 5 of the specification with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Figure 9 schematically presents an element of a preferred embodiment providing the function of limiting the location of other moving elements. It is marked as the

restriction member represented as block 260 in Figure 1. Block 260 comprises an elastic band or strap, a ribbon, a string, a chain or essentially any flexible element attached to element 590 described in reference to Figure 500 on one side, and to any location within part 700 described in reference to Figure 7 on another side.--

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at page 16, line 9 of the specification with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Third, fit the jaw clasp. Enlarge it by displacing (2050) its elements, such elements as described herein below in reference to Figure 7, so that the part becomes as large as possible. Connect (2055) the jaw clasp to the frame by elements described herein in reference to the restriction member represented as block 260 in Figure 1; and retract (2060) elements of the frame that are normally in contact with the jaw clasp, elements described herein in reference to the lock member represented as block 250 in Figure 1, so that said elements do not obstruct the placement of said jaw clasp.--

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at page 16, line 24 of the specification with the following rewritten paragraph:

--In a first embodiment of the present invention the invention is used to assist in performing the jaw-thrust maneuver. This essentially forward motion of the jaw is performed by moving elements described in reference to the lock member represented as block 250 in Figure 1 forward. This motion is described herein below in reference to Figure 8B. Locking the jaw is described in reference to element 820 in Figure 8B.--

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at page 19, line 16 of the specification with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Figure 22A shows the assembly of part 700. The figure shows various elements labeled 1 to 10, which are further described in the following figures. Elements labeled 8 and 9 are similar in form and function to corresponding elements described in reference to Figure 10A and Figure 18A. Element labeled 7 provides a preferred embodiment of the restriction member represented as block 260 described in reference to Figure 1, and implemented by means of a rubber band. Element labeled 10 is not shown as it would obscure other elements. It is comprised of soft sponge like padding covering the assembled part for comfort and prevention of injury.--

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at page 21, line 17 of the specification with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Figure 30 details a cervical collar comprising a 'chin lift' collar 1310 according to yet one embodiment of the present invention wherein holding point is the chin, gum, or any other member of the oral cavity (1316). The chin lift is holding the chin and then pushing it anteriorly while it is being supported on the sternal bone, the maxilla, the zygoma or any other ingredients of the collar. Said lever comprises rear portion (1310) and frontal portion (1312). Said frontal portion includes said 'chin lift' lever (1314) in communication with belt (1313) by means of hinge (1315). Lever (1314, 1314a) is adapted for a lifting the chin (1316) and the mandible thereof.--